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# THE MILWAUKEE TRAGEDY. ONE HUNDRED PERSONS BELIEVED TO

HAVE PERISHED IN THE FIRE. The Actor Gilbert Dying-The Body of his Dead Bride Cinimed at the Morgue-shocking Fate of the Girls who Leaped from the Sixth-story Windows-The Fire Believed to Have Been of Incendiary Ori-gin-Previous Attempts to Burn the Motel.

MILWAUREE, Jan. 11 .- The ruins of the Newhall House, which are now believed to conain the remains of from fifty to seventy-five human beings, are yet too hot to explore. Beveral attempts were made to-day to search for bodies, but it was found impossible to make neadway. The task of recovering the dead will be a formidable one, for the ruins of the great structure make a pile nearly fifteen feet high. Almost the entire population of Milwaukee has been on the spot all day looking at the scene of desolation. One of the minor objects of pathetic interest to the observers was a table sloth dangling from one of the dining room windows, to the frame of which it had been tied by some one who hoped by that means to escape the flames. Like the walls and everything else in the neighborhood of the fire, the tablecloth was thickly coated with ice. The crowds continued to gather about the smouldering ruins long after dark, and a squad of policemen was employed in keeping them back. Up to this even-ing not a single body has been taken from the ruins. The impression grows that the disaster will prove even worse than it was at first supposed to be. The city has been flooded with elograms asking for friends and relatives. n many cases all that could be learned was that the persons inquired for were not stop-ping at any of the other hotels, and it is feared that they were among the ill-fated inmates of the Newhall House. It was stated at first that the register had been locked in the safe and would be discovered, but it is believed now that it was destroyed, and there are no means of obtaining a complete list of those who per-ished in the flames. The landlord says that he had 60 permanent boarders, between 80 and 100 persons engaged about the hotel in various capacities, and 60 transient guests. It is known, however, that at least 80 transients sat down to supper on Tuesday evening. Persons who came in on late trains that night report that they had some difficulty in procuring rooms, and that the hotel was unusually full. The smallest estimate places the number of persons in the fire trap when the flames broke out at 250, and some assert that there were at least 300 persons in the building. It seems altogether probable, therefore, that the number of lives lost will exceed 100.

THE DEAD BRIDE AND HER DYING HUSBAND, John Gilbert, the comedian of the Minnie Palmer company, jumped from the third-story window with his wife in his arms. At about the same time Mr. Allan Johnson jumped from a window above. He fell on both Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert, and the united weight of both men crushed the wife to death. Mr. Gilbert's head was cut and bruised in a frightful manner, and he was picked up in an unconscious state and taken to the Plankinton House. They were married in Chicago a day previous to the fire. Her maiden name was Gertrude Sutton, daughter ried in Chicago a day previous to the fire. Her maiden name was Gertrude Sutton, daughter of W. M. Sutton of Blood's Depot. Stouben county, N. Y. She was not an actress, but was a young lady of culture and refinement. Mr. Gilbert joined the Minnie Palmer "My sweetheart" company on the first of the month in Chicago as principal singing comedian. His mother is Mrs. Ann Donahue of 153 Sedgwick street, Chicago. He was her only support. He has a brother and other relatives living in Chicago. Mr. John R. Rogers, the manager of the company, telegraphed to Mrs. Donahue, and she came here arriving at the Plankinton House at 25 P. M. to-day. Up to a late hour to-night her son had failed to recognize her. There are three physicians in attendance. One of them spoke somewhat favorably of the patient's condition, but the chances are against his recovery. His mother and Miss Palmer are watching over him. He lost all his personal effects. The relatives of Mrs. Gilbert telegraphed from New York to have her remains sent there, which will be done. John Gilbert, whose real name is Donahue, was well known both in Chicago and Milwaukee, having lived in both cities. Dozens of his friends in this city have called at the hotel today, and messages have been received from Chicago, to which no hopeful answer could be given. When Mrs. Gilbert's body reached the morgue an Irishman identified the corpse as that of his daughter. He at once began to strip morgue an Irishman identified the corpse as that of his daughter. He at once began to strip from the fingers of the dead woman her sparkling rings and to wrench the ornaments from her cars. At that moment old Mrs. Donahue reached the morgue, and with a passionate burst of grief recognized the body as that of her daughter-in-law. "It's my child," cried the Irishman, still stripping the jewelry from the dead woman's person. The grief-stricken mother and the robber of the dead confronted each other, and the painful scene created the greatestEconfusion.

A THRILLING FEATURE OF THE TRAGEDY.

The frantic fear with which a dozen waiter girls flung themsolves from the sixth-story windows was the most thrilling feature of the tragedy. Their bedrooms opened on an alley in the rear. There was one fire escape, but they were too terrified to think of it. Clothed only in scanty night dresses they appeared at the windows. One of them, wilder than the others, before the flames approached her, leaped out into the black space, and, whirling over and over, fell a mass of mangled flesh on the stones beneath. As quick as thought almost and before the horror-stricken men on the street could realize fully what was taking place, three of the poor girls companions followed her, striking within a few feet of each other, every one being killed and shockingly mutitated. A rescue party attempted to stem the tide by holding blankets beneath, but the girls were hurled down with such force that the cloth was forn from the hands of strong men, and the swift descending forms were, as before, dashed to death on the pavement. Some of the ill-fated ones, thinking that they could in some manner clamber down the side of the building, swung themselves out of the windows only to drop instantly to the stone pavement, where every one of them was crushed to death. At one time nine of these bleeding corpses, some of them blackened and shrivelled by the flames, and all of them devoid of clothing lay one upon another in the alley. Similar scenes were reported at the unper windows fronting on the main streets. Six persons hanging from sills on the fifth story lost their grip and whirled downward one by one. One man swung himself down on the window sills from the fifth story. His perilous descent was cheered and cheered again. As his feet touched the secondatory window he lost his belance, and with a shrick of despair he fell among the crowd, that was still cheering. His hands were forn in shreds from supporting himself in the descent. A stankway misosked with DEAD BODIES.

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The servants' stairway was in the northwest corner of the building. It was a narrow spiral, wood takings of course, very inflammable. Booker & Audiese reached this part of the hotel there is reason to believe that his narrow stairway was literally glutted with the bodies of the dead servants. The story told by a guest, Mr. Samuel Martin of Donver, bears out this theory. He had a room on the fourth floor. When he realized that the hotel was on fire he sprang into the hail, which was black with smoke, and running whilly about, found himself ata narrow stairway. Not knowing where it led, he plunged down. At the bettern of the first landing he fell over a stack of bodies of women. A little further on he encountered a girl who was crazed with terror. He asked her to follow him, but she refused. Without further words he swung her on his back and hurried down another flight. The smoke was stilling and the flames were growing het. Almost despairing of ever reaching the outside, Mr. Martin, still carrying the girl on his back, again stumbled over some doad bedies, he knows not hive many, and, being unable to recever himself, he and his burden fell headdong to the foot of the stairs. In another moment they were taken out insafety. It is known that it was the servants' stairway that Mr. Martin descended and so far as now known he is the only person who got out of the house in that way. If that marrow passageway was thus blocked on the lower atories, people now ask what must it have been on the fifth and sixth floors. As near as can be ascertained, no effort was made by anybedy to waken the servants, and only a few of the guests had any warning of their danger until their transoms fell in by reason of the heat of the flames which swept up and down the long corridors.

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as near the foot of the elevator as possible, so that the flames might sweep up that passarsoway and spread to all parts of the building. Detectives Riemer and McManus, Roundsman Sullivan, Lleut, Roek-wood, and Policemen O'Brien and Palkowski, who were first at the fire, entertain the same opinion. Others believe that the fire was set in the engine room of Burdick & Armitage's printing office, and also in the basement among waste paper and other combustible accumulations. If either supposition is true it corroborates the story of those above, who were the first to escape, as it would require only a few minutes for the flames to reach the elevator from either of these places. The Goroner will begin a searching investigation to-morrow.

A man who occupied quarters in the hotel said to-day that the building had been set on fire at least four times during the past two years. On one occasion a chair was piled with oiled kindling, set on fire, and placed in contact with the elevator. The fire got a pretty good start before it was extinguished. The next time a fire was started in a barrel of tinder which stood in the hall on the first floor, against the elevator. This time, also, the house had a narrow escape. The next time a hole was torn through the plaster in the wall at the bottom of the elevator and a mass of inflammable stuff inserted, which was fired, being only extinguished with the greatest difficulty. Still another time a fire started near the barroom on the first floor, adjacent to the west side of the elevator shaft. These were all undoubtedly of incendiary origin, and were started at night near the elevator, so as to preclude any idea of saving the house, but luckily each fire was extinguished. The building was illy constructed. Only a few weeks ago a fire was ignited in C. A. Hendy's room from a bad grate, and burned considerably before being put out. This was supplemented by another slight fire in Hendee's quarters last week, but no special damage was done.

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William M. Kenzie, night watchman, makes the following important statement: "On the night of the fire I made my rounds as usual, visiting the different lodging floors and basement rooms, but observed nothing unusual. The barroom was open until 2 o'clock in the morning. George Scheller, the proprietor, was there for about three-quarters of an hour afterward. I had been to the wood room at about 2 o'clock, and, in opening a door leading to the barroom, saw that the latter was still occupied. At a later hour I had to run the elevator down to the bottom landing to take up a man who had come from the barroom. Nothing like smoke was to be detected then. At 32 A. M., T. B. Elliott came in on a late train. I was in the office, and he asked me if the elevator was running. I told him I would take him up, and I did so, letting him out at the third floor. Then I went up to the ton floor, taking a railway conductor up from the third floor to the top. I looked around the hails and then got into the elevator to go down. This was a few minutes after half past 3. As I got into the elevator I noticed a very little smoke. I immediately started down to see where it came from. By the time I reached the office floor the snoke was so dense that I could go no further in the elevator. Throwing open the door, I rushed out and started for the stairs, shouting to the night clerk that there was a fire down below, and that I was going to see about it. By the time I reached the bottom of the elevator shaft the smoke was so dense and stifling that I knew something must be done. I called to the engineer, who was in the engine room, and told him to rouss the servants. Then I hurried back '9 awaken the people. I have been subject in the levator, and in a moment afterward the flames poured at Mr. Cramer's door, the heat cracked the giass doors to the elevator that could have not one the shape in the beavor

object will be to promote by legislative and other measures the restoration and improvement of the scenery of Niagara Falls in accordance with the plan which was approved by Gov. Robinson, which pussed the Assembly in 1886, but was not put through the Senate because of the opposition of Gov. Corneil. The initiation fee of the society will be \$10, and its affairs are to be in charge of an executive committee. The plan of organization proposed was adopted, and the association selected the following officers: President, Howard Potter; Vice-Presidents G. W. Curtis, Daniel Huntington, Cornelius Vanderbilt; Secretary, Lenox Belknap; Treasurer, Charles Lanier; Executive Committee, J. Hampden Robb, Francis H. Weeks, James T. Gardner, Buchanan Winthrop, J. T. Van Rensselaer.

James T., Gardner, who, infoompany with Frederick Law Olmstead, made an inspection and survey of the Falls at the request of Gov. Robinson, and on whose report the bill of 1889 for the preservation of the Falls was based, addressed the meeting. He said that Gont Island has thus far been preserved as a primeval forest by the owners, the Porter family. Within two years, however, a partition of the property must be made, and Goat Island must be sold. Various projects have been suggested for the future uses of the island, most of which involve the destruction of the primeval forest, which includes trees 250 years old. The plan at present most likely to succeed appears to be to cut a canal through the island, and build a row of mills to use the water power. There is not a place where the Falls can now be seen from the American side without going on private property. It is proposed to have the State purchase enough land about the Falls to preserve the natural scenery, and to cooperate with Canada for that purpose. Gov. Cornell apposed the appropriation of State money for the purpose, and said he had no objection to the erection of a row of water power mills on Goat Island.

Disastrons Storm at Vera Cruz. Cirr of Mexico, Jan. 11.—The storm at Vera City of Mexico, Jan. 11.—The storm at Yera Cruzon Tuesday was more disastrous than at first reported. The American steamer James A. Gary, the schooner Thereas G, and a Mexican bark are a complete loss but the crews were saved. The steamer had alloss but the crews were saved. The steamer had steady discharged her cargo. The roofs of the railroad warehouses were carried away, and much damage was done to the goods. The works for the harbor improvements were completely destroyed, as were also many light and small craft. The Mexican schooner Amadia was wrecked. Her crew was saved.

### The Stratford Murder Mystery. BRIDGEPORT, Jan. 11.-William Brush, who is

BRIDGEPORT, Jan. 11.—William Brush, who is suspected of the murder of his wife in Stratford about two weeks ago, was found in New York last night, and brought to this city this afternoon. He emphatically denice any knowledge of the murder; he had not even heard of it until arrested. He says he can account for his whereabouts at about the time the murder was committed. He says that he had no motive for committed the crime; that he had not seen his wife since last appring, and has not been in Bridgeport in six months.

Of all cough remedies we have ever used, Dr. Buil's lough syrup is the best. Price 25 cents.—Adv.

PRESIDENT BOICE IN JAIL

HOW HE TOOK FROM ONE BANK TO KEEP THE OTHER GOING.

Directors who Say They Have Had Nothing to Do With the City Bank for Years-Cashler Shaw Not Yet Arrested-The Safe Opened.

The most startling rumors were circulated yesterday in Jersey City as to the condition of the suspended City Bank and of the Fifth Ward Savings Bank and the alleged criminal misconduct of their officers. It was generally conceded by persons best informed on the subject that the worst apprehensions as to the state of the City Bank would be entirely con-firmed. The wreck of that concern was be-lieved to be complete and absolute, so far as its deposits and paid-up capital were concerned. The only hope that remained for re-lief was based upon the tedious process of compelling the stockholders to make up the deficiency by assessments on their shares. How far the money thus to be obtained would go toward discharging the obligations of the bank could not be ascertained yesterday, but it was certain that it would not be sufficient to fully meet the liabilities. The condition of the savings bank was enveloped in mystery. The directors met and went into a minute examination of the assets, among which they found about \$290,000 in gilt-edged mortgages. They declined to make known the exact figures of

about \$290,000 in glit-edged mortgages. They declined to make known the exact figures of the concern's indebtedness or resources, but expressed the opinion that it would survive its difficulties and resume operations.

Garret S. Boice, the President of the City Bank and Treasurer and virtual manager of the savings bank, was formally arraigned yesterday before Judge Stilsing at the First District Police Court. He had been taken into custody on Wednesday night at his magnificent residence in Columbia place in Greenville. As he was sick in bed at the time, Chief Murphy consented to allow him to spend the night at home. A policeman was placed in charge of the prisoner. At 9 o'clock yesterday morning the Chief and two others drove out to Bolce's house. The members of his family were pursuing their ordinary household occupations, as if ignorant of the extent of the disaster. His two unmarried daughters were in the sitting room engaged in painting plaques. When they hearn that their father was about to be removed, they quitted their work and evinced much distress. Mr. George B. Bolce, their uncle, expressed much doubt as to whether his brother could be moved without endangering his life. Dr. Fields, the family physician, advised that the President should not be disturbed or excited. The Chief said he felt it to be his duty to take the prisoner to court. City Physician Saum was taken up stairs to the President's bedside. After tosting the patient's pulse and questioning him as to his silment, the Dector and that the disorder was a simple one of a nervous nature. He thought that a good drink of brandy would fix him for the journey to court. Mr. Boice drained the glass with a shaking hand, and in a few moments stepped into the coach and was driven to Police Headquarters. On the way he talked incessantly about the banks.

The City Bank," he said, "is irretrievably loat."

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sented the entire receipts of Tuesday. An alloged falsification of an item of \$900 was also revealed.

Cashier Shaw will probably be taken into custody to-day. Mr. Boice is a great lover of aquatic sports, and, besides owning a hand-some yacht, is President of the Bayonne Rowing Association. In Bayonne he was a member of the Reformed Church and superintendent of its Sunday school. Since his removal to Greenville he has joined the Reformed Church there and become assistant superintendent of the Sunday school. He has been identified with the savings bank from its incorporation on March 21, 1869 when he was elected to his present place as Treasurer. In 1874 he organized the City Bank and became its Fresident. He was voted then a salary of \$2,000 a year, which he has never drawn.

Cashier Shaw, his son-in-law, lives in Orange, where he maintains an expensive establishment. He owns four fast and valuable horses, His assistant, Mr. Bench, who is said to be responsible for \$3,500 of the missing funds of the bank, also lives in Orange and is the possessor of a stable of trotters.

As an indication of the feeling of the depositors, it is reported that on Wednesday night John Boyd, one of the Directors of Education in Jersey City, was walking through Pavonta avenue after dark when he met two of the depositors. Some one passing at the same time greeted him with "Good evening, Mr. Directors of Education in Jersey City, was walking through Pavonta avenue after dark when he met two of the depositors. Some one passing at the same time greeted him with "Good evening, Mr. Directors of Education in Jersey City, was walking through Pavonta avenue after dark when he met two of the depositors. Some one passing at the same time greeted him with "Good evening, Mr. Directors of Education in Jersey City of the same time greeted him with "Good evening, Mr. Directors of Education in Jersey City of the depositors.

avenue after dark, when he met two of the de-positors. Some one passing at the same time greeted him with "Good evening, Mr. Direc-tor." The two men, supposing that he was a director of the broken bank, assaulted him vio-lently. He was badly pommelled before a po-liceman appeared. One man was arrested, and gave his name as John Feeney.

## A Minor's Fortune Lost in Oil.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 11.—Henry Miller of Law-renceville is the latest victim to the oil craze. Miller left here some years ago for the silver country. Hereed a few months ago with about \$20,000, which h

MR. TURNBULL RESIGNS.

The Union Club Accepts his Resignation-Mr

The Governors of the Union Club met on Wednesday evening last in the club house in regular session. A communication from Mr. Henry Turnbull resigning his membership in the club was read. It was simply a formal statement of his resignation. A ballot was immediately taken and the resignation was accepted. It is said that there was no dissenting oice, although Mr. Turnbull's brother, Mr. William Turnbull is one of the Governors of the club. Mr. Henry Turnbull has been in Washington about a fortnight.
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"Will Mr. Turnbull's resignation affect the suit brought by Mr.Loubat to compel the club to restore him to membership?" a reporter of The Sun asked last night of a club member.

"Decidedly yes," was the reply. "Mr. Loubat will undoubtedly come back to full membership. It is not in the power of the Governors to restore him, for the constitution of the club provides that when a member has been expelled by the Governors, they cannot reconsider their action and reseind the motion by which he was expelled. Of course, the constitution can be amended, but in order to do that it would be necessary to call a meeting of the members of the club. The meeting to amend the constitution could not be called until fifty members signed a call, and no one is willing to take the first step to that end. If there was not a better way opened, however, I don't know but some of Mr. Loubat's friends would circulate a paper for fifty signatures. The opinion prevails that the better way with the owithdraw the answer handed in by the club's lawyers in reply to Mr. Loubat's suit and let judgment be given in Mr. Loubat's suit and let judgment be given in Mr. Loubat's suit and Mr. Loubat in the club. The place he held has been filled. If the Governors instruct their lawyers to withdraw the answer the the club will get restored in the same breath. No decision has yet been made in the matter, I believe. But it is certain that if Mr. Loubat wants to be restored to membership he had better not withdraw his suit."

### THE SEVENTH REGIMENT BALL.

Brilliant Uniforms and Beautiful Tollets to

the Spacious Armory. The interior of the Seventh Regiment armory presented a brilliant picture last night at the regimental reception and ball. The grand staircase was lined with flowers and greenery, and a gay company crowded the spacious corriders and swept through the richly decorated company rooms. There was a wealth of rich

vision of the High Court of Justice to-day Mr. Justice Field gave judgment against Mr. Charles Bradlaugh in his action against Mr. Henry D. Erskine, Deputy Sergeant of Arms of the House of Commons, for an assault on the occasion of Mr. Bradinagh attempting to enter the House of Commons and to take his seat as member for Northampton Borough, after a resolution had been passed prohibiting him from so doing. Mr. Justice Field cited precedents showing the power of the House to control its own proceedings.

## Nick, Jan. 11 .- According to present arrange-

ments the funeral of M. Gambela will take place on Saturday afterneon.

Mansathias, Jan 11—The Delly New says. "Gambelta's father informed the delegation from Paris, which endeavored to induce him to after his decision in regard to the disposition of his son's remains, that after his death Paris might take his son's body." The War Rumore in Germany. BERLIN, Jan. 11 .- Although the war rumors have now subsided, it is remarked that two officers of the general staff have been ordered to Konigsberg and Thorn. Similar special measures of sequiring informa-tion were previously only taken at Metz and Strasbourg.

### Stanley and De Brazza.

LONDON, Jan. 11,-A correspondent writes to the Times that probably the announcement of Mr. Stan-ley's indisposition was a ruse, and that there is every reason to believe that if M. de Brazza attempts to en-Forty Thieves Arrested.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—A correspondent writes to the Daity News that an organized gain of forty men have been arrested at Cambe. They were provided with arms and contemplated highway robberies. LONDON, Jan. 11.—Mr. Lawes has applied to the Queen's Bench Division for a new trial of the action for libel brought against him by Mr. Belt, who obtained a verdict with 25,000 damages.

ONE END OF A DUEL READY.

JOHN DALY CARRIES HIS PISTOLS TO ALBANY AND BACK.

ovan Rossa Slumbers in Brooklyn and His Second Silps from the Train-Probable Brauding of the Dynamite Apostie.

The notion that the story of a proposed duel between O'Donovan Rossa and John Daly of Limerick was a gigantic hoax probably arose from the appearance of the practi-cal joker, John Kearney, in the character of Rossa's second. But there could not be a greater mistake, so far as Mr. Daly's understanding of the affair went.

It was said in The Sun of yesterday that

when the seconds met on Wednesday after-noon at Sweeny's Hotel, it was agreed that the duel should take place the following morning at Hoboken. This report was agreed on with the intention of diverting the attention of with the intention of diverting the attention of
the police if they should think of attempting
interference. At that meeting there were
present: John McInerny, Mr. Daly's second;
John Kearney, Rossa's second; Dr. William
Dwyer, whom Daly had selected as surgeon;
Patrick Joyce, and John J. McGrath of Colorado.
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There was an animated discussion over the choice of weapons. Kearney said several times that he desired no butchery, and suggested revolvers. Mr. MeInerny denies that any mention was made of hand grenades. It was finally settled that duelling pistols should be used. A question was raised as to Rossa's sincerity in the matter. Kearney insisted that Rossa meant fight, and McGrath said he would kick Rossa if Rossa backed out. It was agreed that the principals and the seconds should meet at the Grand Central Depot at 50 clock that afternoon and go on to Saratoga.

Mr. Daly, Mr. McInerny, and Mr. Dwyer went at once to the depot and waited there. At 5:15 Mr. Kearney arrived alone, bringing word that Mr. Rossa and Dr. Shine would be at the depot at 8 o clock, ready to go on. Dr. Dwyer says he expressed doubts of this, and that Mr. Kearney replied that he would "brand Rossa as a coward if he failed." This seemed to be regular and according to the code.

The time table showed that the only through train for Saratoga that evening left at 6:30 o'clock. Mr. Kearney suggested that very probably Rossa would board that train at Harlem, and go straight through.

At 80 clock Mr. Daly and his friends again met Mr. Kearney at the depot. They say that he positively asserted that Rossa had gone on to Saratoga by the 6% train, and would be awaiting them there. He said he was about to follow on the 9 o'clock train. Daly at once offered to take the same train, but Kearney objected, and said there was a chance of arrest if they should be seen together. Then he gave directions as to what they should do. They were to take the 11 o'clock train for Albany that night, and on their arrival were to go to Burke & Saulsberg's saloon in Broadway, near the Delavan House, and wait for him. They would then go on to Saratoga.

Dr. Dwyer says he still distrusted Kearney, and told McInerny to follow and accompany him on the train. Kearney saw him and refused positively to let him come. McInerny, and told McInerny to follow and accompany him on the tra

siegling yesterday. The snow had been besten down and hardened by incessant travel. The air was full of the music of beils. Mr. Robert Bonner sat in an elegant dark brown cutter, wrapped in an immense buffalo robe, behind his eclebrated bay gedding lickard, record 2.185. Mr. Isider Columbeld, one of the most enthusiastic of drivers, sped his time bay team. Mr. Meannder Taylor, Jr., drove his brown Knox colls lattle Duke and fattle Knox, and Mr. Frank Work drove his gelding lidward. One of the most notable trials of speed of the day was between William H. Vanderbill's chestnut gelding Lysander and John Gray's remarkable trotter Rifle. After a desperate context Lysander was first by three lengths. Shepherd F. Knapp's handsome bay team Sam Hill and Charles H had it with the removed team St. Choud and mate, valued at \$5,000, belonging to Col. Farsons of Rochester. After a mip-and luck trof from Judge Smiths to McComb's Dan bridge on Jerome avenue, Mr. Knapp's team won handsomely by three lengths.

Uncle John Neshitt, accompanied by Henry C. Bangs, drove his well known trotter E. Van John to a sleigh from the Morton House, at Broadway and Fourteenth street, to Gabe Usae's judge the unprecedented time of 42 minutes and 30 seconds.

These are but a few of the best known who joined in the grand carnival on the road. It was a democratic sweep of all sorts over the beautiful snow.

### In the cellar of Mr. Pierre Lorillard's house

In the cellar of Mr. Pierre Lorillard's house at Thirty sixth street and Fifth avenue is a carpenter's shop. Yesterday foremen the carpenter, Harry Tribet, was working at the bench and Mr. Lorillard's valet and steward of his yeard Radia. William Vowler, was amusing himself by trying to extract the cartridges from a six sheeter. One of the cartridges exploded, and a piece of the metal covering ture away part of the second ringer of Vowler's left hand, while the build ran inp the frontial hour above the right eye, leaving a mark as if the brow had been scared by a lost from. The powder bin kened his face and acrossly injured his right eye.

### WASHINGTON NOTES. Clark Mills, the sculptur, is dying.

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The police raided thirteen policy shops yesterday.
The Ways and Meant Committee will complete the revision of the fariff bill to day.
Business in the Treasury Department will be suspended to morrow as a mark of respect to the late Lot M. Morrill. It is reported that ex-tioy. Tom Young of Ohio will be appointed Collector at Cincinnati and J. C. Whimberly at Atlanta. Sub-committees of the Senate and House have agreed to advise the purchase of the house in which Lincoln died, for \$15,020

MRS. MELVILLE ON THE STAND. Pathetle Story that Drew Tears from th

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 11.-There was at impressive scene in the court room in Media to-day at the hearing of the Melville habeas corpus case. Fashionable ladies occupied the seats, and waited until half past 9 to-night, when the court adjourned, rather than go out and break the stillness that prevailed. Mrs. Melville told her story in a low voice, almost a whisper. She had not gone far before every lady in the room was in tears. Even the lawyers cried, and the Judge was forced to hide his emotion behind Judge was forced to hide his emotion behind his handkerchief. Mrs. Melville denied every assertion made by her husband. She told how she had waited patiently for months for his return; how she would start up in her sleep at night dreaming of the Jeannette in an ley sea; how the news of his return overnowered her with joy; how she prepared to welcome him on his return, and was only greeted with reproaches and curses; how he would not even kies his children, the children he now sought to take from her. "And if you want to know how I have brought up my children," she said, just note their behavior in this court. "woointing to the little girls who sat beside her. She told how Melville tore her from her children and sent her to an insane asylum, where she could hear only the shricks of the crazed inmates. She described a week's experience there, and told how she bathed her face, not in the trough in which the lunaties bathed, but in the tears from her own eyes. She told this story, which occupied four hours in its recital, in such a plaintive, pleading way as to carry the entire court room with her. It is thought that after this the Judge will decide against Melville.

# WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 .- The Senate Military

Washinoton, Jan. 11.—The Senate Military Committee reported to-day that "life is too short to undertake to review, reconsider, and remedy all the seeming or imagined grievances of every officer now in the regulin army in regard to dairs of cutry into the service and relative rank. The time of Congress and the valuable time of the officers of the army can be more profittedly and pleasantly employed than in overhanding and attempting to change the existing status. Let peace prevail in the army as in civil life."

### The Illinois Senatorship.

Springfield, Jan. 11.-The House to-day adopted a resolution declaring any one ineligible for United States Senator if elected while an officer of the State. This resolution is satended to bar tiov. Cullom. The vote stood St to 65.

### JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Measure Phillips and Walton will shate their tenemile race on the rink in the Manhattan Club grounds to night. Several Philadelphia Aidermen visited the Health Department vesterday to make imquiries about plainting. The will of Joseph R Skidmore was jesterday admitted to probate. The testator left all his property to his wife and child.

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The annual meeting and dinner of the New York Alumn Association of Amberst College will take place at Delimonico s Jan 28. F. Marburg will preside.

The offence of William Peters, charged with forwing the names of lindert Graves A Co. and Wm. H. Sodlier to checks for \$2.50, is his first. He has never been arrested before.

The sale of the Church of the Holy Saviour on Twenty. fifth street, east of Mailson avenue, by the executor of Desier A. Clapp, to Nathaniel Withered and Edward sing for \$5.50, was recorded peterday.

Anthony Comstock and Geo. R. Oram, one of his agents made sfitials it at the Police Central Office yeaterlay, accusing Sergeant Westervelt and Policeman Shill of giving notice to the gamblers on Thirty-second street of Saturday's raid.

The cases of disease which have originated in the tenement at 100 Haster street were yesterday decided to be typhus fever. The fifth patient, Mary Merriam, was removed to the Euverside Hospital yesterday in spite of the opposition of her family.

HARRIS NOT SATISFIED.

THE RIVER AND HARBOR JOBBER TO CONTEST HOWEY'S BEAT.

# Charging Bribery, Corruption, and Intimida-tion to Back his Claim-How Morality is Strained Once a Year in that District.

Congressman Henry Harris, who failed of a redection in the Fourth New Jersey district last fall because he voted for the River and Harbor steal, and was a Ross-Robeson ad-Harbor steal, and was a Rose-Robeson adherent, is going to contest the election of his Republican opponent, Mr. Benjamin F. Howey. The notice of contest was served on Mr. Howey on Dec. 28, and bears the same date. It covers five pages of the letter paper used in the House of Representatives. About one page and a half is in the writing of Mr. Harris. It charges that Mr. Howey bribed voters to vote the Howey ticket: Howey bribed voters to vote the Howey ticket; such; that men were bulldozed into voting the Howey ticket and into staying away from the polls; that part of the money used to bribe voters was obtained by unlawfully assessing

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### The Growlers Amusing Themselves.

An audience that filled very seat in the Lex-The club is a west side social erganization, which is composed of many prominent professional and business men. None of its members is permitted to growl under any circumstances. Among the occupants of the boxes were Judge David McAdam, Gen. George Van Schaick, Senator John W. Browning, Alderunen Alexander B. Smith and Henry W. Jachne, Coroner Martin, Capt. McKwain, Col. John W. Marshail, Dr. C. E. Gilbert, Thomas Costigan, Assenti-lyman James F. Higgins, Capts. Walton, Mulligan, and Chapman of the Ninth Regiment, Sanuel T. Webster, Sergeant Washington Mullian, Frank Mazee, Occar Woodruff, Edward H. Marker, Patrick McManus, John H. Conwis, Judge Henry M. Heymann, I'resident Beiliy of the Board of Aldernuch and aldermen Carroll and Duffy. The entertainment, which consisted the Capt. I was a server of the Capt. Sergeant Washington and Capt. Sergeant Washington and Capt. Sergeant Washington and Capt. Sergeant Washington and Capt. Sergeant Washington Marker, Sergeant Washington Marker, Sergeant Washington, Assential Capt. Sergeant Washington Marker, Sergeant Washington, Sergeant Washingto The club is a west side social organization, which is com

Charles R. Thorne, Jr., Better. Charles R. Thorne, Jr., who performed the dual part of Fiblian and Louis Det Franchi in "The Corsican Brothers," at Booth's Theatre, was better yesterday. His illness is somewhat aggravated by his anxiety any. His liness is somewhat aggravated by his anxiety about the disappointment he unavoidably caused Manacer Stetson. The theatre was filled last evening. Mr. Ulinton Hall undertook the role of the two brothers. It was aynounced before the ringing up of the curtain that he had voluntered at short notice, and consequently might have occasion to refer to the book. All those whe were not satisfied with the change were invited to step to the box office and have their money refunded. No one went out. Mr. Hall read his part.

# Death of John D. Stickland.

John D. Stickland, a well-known member of the Stock Exchange, died yesterday at his home in Brooklyn. He entered the office of the late Col. Henry G. Stebbins when a boy and continued his connection with the firm of H. G. Stebbins A Son until his death. He had been a member of the Exchange nearly twenty years. He was a native of this city, was about by years of age, and lonver a widow.

### President Salma's Denth.

John Sniffin, President of the Long Island John Shillin, Prosident of the Long Island Bank deed in his home, 190 Washington avenue Wednes-day of pneumonia resulting from a cold caught while calling on New Year's Day. He was they are sold. Per a number of years he was a member of the oil firm of L. H. Swain & Co.

### The Signal Office Prediction. Fair weather, northwestly winds, stationary or higher temperature, higher pressure. SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPE

The overdue Anchor line steamer Caledonia reached Boston yesterday from the Mediterranean. Boston yesterday from the Mediterranean.

Thomas Brown, assistant supervising architect of the Boston Post Office, died yesterday morning. The new steel steamer Ionic of the White Star line was safely innucled at Belfast, Ireland, yesterday. Frank Brundage has mailed Gov Cleveland his resig-nation of the office of Judge of Ningara county. The British Embassy and the American Legation were present at Mr Edw Booth's first performance last night at the Residenz Theatre, Berlin. Dr. S. M. Ballard, a prominent politician and land-wher, was robled of \$2.700 in cash at his molated farm in Audubon county, Iowa, on Tuesday. The North German Gazette confirms the report that Em-peror William has addressed an autograph letter to the Pope in reply to a letter received from his Holiness in December. It is intended to blow up the masta funnels, and bow-sprit of the City of Brussels. When as nuch of the carge as possible will be saved the question of raising the ves-sel is to be considered.

as possible will be saved, the question of raising the vessel is to be considered.

Gus Radd of Central City, Ill, went to the house of his brother in law, Henry Durley, on Wednesday, and, without warning, fired three shors at him, killing him instantly. Rudd escaped.

Sir Auchiand Colvin, the English Comptroller-General of Egypt, and Mr. Ornstrin, private secretary of the Comptroller, baye tendered their resignations, which have been accepted by the Khedive.

Albert Rowley of Camden, N. J. yesterday obtained a verdict for SU(3) against the Pennsylvania, Railroad Company, He had an arm broken on July 4 hat, the car in which he was being struck by a passing train.

The recount of votes in the Second Assembly district of Camden county, N. J. in which John W. Branning (Dem.) alleges that John Rainford (Rep.) was fraudulently returned as elected, has been stopped by an injunction from the Vice-Chamcellor.

In the United States District Court of Boston, yesterday, a libel was field on behalf of Theodors Thomas against John G. Lennon asking for an order returning him from producing thoused in the order retraining him from producing thoused in an order of notice, returnable on Saturday next, for respondents to show cause why the prayer of the bill should not be straited.